

**Happy Events:** by **Tim Hammond**

In Person:  
**Jerry Krauss:** Picked up food at Publix for Christmas baskets. Happy that the Eagles Park Publix manager donated all the potatoes.  
**Cory Krauss:** David Sideri did a wonderful job with the Christmas Party.  
**Kenny Krauss:** Called Theresa yesterday about not making Rotary and she let him know it was only Wednesday!  
**Richard Breske:** Happy he finished all the Christmas decorations and that he will finish his shopping this week.  
**Paul Scheele** – Kudos to David Sideri for the great party.  
**Joe Kolodziej:** Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.  
**Joe Minarik:** Happy \$20 to have students here, for the Christmas party, Barb should have won the Ugly Christmas Sweater contest. Happy 55th B'day to Holly, 52nd to Joey.  
**Phil England:** Happy for the Christmas party and the after-party at Josh's.  
**David Sideri:** Happy \$5 for still being a member of Rotary on Saturday after the party!  
**Tom Stewart:** Great time at the Christmas party!  
**Jim Plunkett:** looking forward to seeing the Christmas star December 31st when Saturn and Jupiter appear to merge,  
**Barbara MacKellar:** Great Christmas party, David Sideri!  
**Jeff MacKellar:** Happy for the Bucs and Bears, Great Christmas party and happy to have the Students here today.  
**Alex Cruz:** Welcome students!  
**Yvonne Fay:** Happy \$5 for a wonderful Christmas party and Happy \$5 for her son getting married this weekend.  
**Jim Fikkert:** Happy for grandkids here for the holidays.  
**Steve White (DHHS):** Happy \$5 with four wonderful kids.  
**Kevin Krauss:** Great Christmas party! Thank you, David!  
**On Zoom:**  
**Don Higgins:** Happy \$3 for the Gators playing in the SEC game this week, happy to see his grandchildren.  
**Tami Scheele:** Happy \$3 for being safe from the tornado, for a really great Christmas party, and the students here.  
**Wren Krahl:** Happy \$3 for handing out gifts on Saturday, for a great Christmas party, and for the students today.  
**Tim Hammond:** \$5 Alabama to beat Florida this Sat.  
**Chris Patel:** Happy \$2 for new grandson who is doing great. Also thank you to everyone that purchase the Christmas gifts and shared in the spirit.  
**Debra Ellis-Abney:** Happy \$5 and wish she could have been here today for the students. Also happy that no one was hurt in the tornado. Happy for her first Christmas party as a Rotarian.

**Words of Wisdom**

“It is the knowledge that all men have weaknesses and that many have vices, that makes government necessary.”

**James Monroe**

**Club Buddies**

Chantel Wonder	Jerry Wennlund
Harry Alchin	Jeff MacKellar
Jim Andrew	Richard Breske
Theresa Pinnix	Kenny Krauss
David Sideri	Cory Krauss
Jim Plunkett	Christine Patel
Debra Ellis-Abney	Joe Minarik
Jerry Krauss	Yvonne Fay
Phil England	Joe Kolodziej
Tami Scheele	Jimmy Hammond
Jim Fikkert	Tim Hammond
Ken Bray	Don Higgins
Tom Stewart	Kevin Krauss
David Allen	Starlyn Fikkert
Paul Scheele	Alex Cruz / Nhi N.
Barb MacKellar	Wren Krahl / Sean S.
Wendy Sideri	Josh Astarita
Janet Waddell	
	h-Dr Paul Nanda
h-Donna Cloud	h-Sandy Donaghy
h-Carolyn Burns	h-Dolores Caunitz

**50 / 50**

**David Sideri** won last week's prize of \$13 and donated it back to the club. This week, the Ace of Hearts will win the Jackpot that starts at \$181.



**Pinellas Park Rotary - District # 6950**  
**Thursday Jan 7th 2020—12:15 P.M.**  
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**This Week's Agenda:**

- ☛ Pledge of Allegiance
- ☛ Singing of *God Bless America* or *Let There Be Peace on Earth*
- ☛ Rotary Prayer: **Jimmy Hammond & Jim Fikkert**
- ☛ Rotarian & Guest Intro's **Cory Krauss, Alex Cruz & Jim Fikkert**
- ☛ Sergeant at Arms Announcements: **Kevin Krauss, David S. & Phil E.**

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Rotary Opens Opportunities

**Trivia Questions:**

1. The word 'Kemosabe' was frequently used by the Lone Ranger. What does it mean?
2. What is the largest tree in the world, and where is it located?
3. Who is currently ranked as the wealthiest American according to Forbes?
4. What movie was the most watched streaming movie in 2020?
5. What were the two most famous and popular movies that starred Julie Andrews?
6. Which famous Hollywood Director was Julie married to for 41 years?

**Upcoming Programs & Events**

Jan 14th	David Sideri P/C
Jan 16th	Meals on Wheels 4 Kids
Jan 21st	Students of the Month
Jan 26th	Sanders School SOM
Jan 28th	Paul Scheele P C
Jan 30th	Road Cleanup
Feb 2nd	Board Meeting
Feb 4th	Tami Scheele P/C
Feb 11th	Wendy Sideri
Feb 13th or 14th	Valentine Party TBD
Feb 18th	Students of the Month

April 17th **BOWL-A-THON**  
 April 29th **LAW DAY with KIWANIS**  
 (Speaker—Sheriff Bob Gualtieri)

**Missed Last Week:**

Wendy Sideri	Theresa Pinnix
Jerry Wennlund	Chantel Wonder
David Allen	Jim Andrew
Starlyn Fikkert	Josh Astarita
Jimmy Hammond	

**Questions to Ponder!**

"Why does "slow down" and "slow up" mean the same thing?"

**Rotary Opens Opportunities!**

## **Last Week's Program: HOLLINS HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**

**Nicole Hill** is a senior in the Cambridge program, ranked fifth in the class with a WGPA of 4.56. In her freshman year, she served as Student Council VP. As a Sophomore, she was in the book club. She has been in NHS as well as NSHSS (National Society for High School Scholars) for both junior and senior years. She has also received awards for photography with the AEA (Academy of Entertainment



Arts) program. In NHS, she has volunteered to do park and beach clean-ups around Pinellas County. She has also gone Christmas caroling, and volunteered with Salvation Army, ringing the bell in front of Publix. She also served as the manager of the boys' varsity basketball team, where she recorded the stats of the game. In her free time, she likes to read books, paint, procrastinate, and hang out with her friends. She is currently working at Plato's Closet. She plans to attend Flagler College in St. Augustine and major in psychology and achieve a master's degree, or higher. If she could do one thing to change the world for the better, she would get rid of social media. The world may seem more connected, but the impact it has had on society has changed life from what it should be. Life should have your full attention, your full effort, and your full purpose. Anything else wouldn't be worth it.

**Jose Ramos-Rodriguez** is a Senior in the Cambridge and AVID programs, currently holding a 4.46 WGPA and ranked 9<sup>th</sup> in the senior class. He is a member of the baseball team, the AVID Ambassadors and the National Honor Society. He likes to help families who need a little help by participating in the Hollins High Food Pantry. He also is involved with the Truancy Teen court, which offers support to kids who have been labeled truant and are looking to change. He currently has over 100 volunteer hours earned in park cleanups, and events at a church and in the community. In his free time, he likes going to the gym or baseball field, or going out with his friends. He also thoroughly enjoys sleeping! He aspires to become a Mechanical Engineer. He has been accepted into Florida Southern College. He will be enrolled in their Pre-Engineering program, which is a 5-year program that will grant him a Master's Degree in Mechanical Engineering and a Bachelor's Degree in Mathematics.

**Nicole Preil** is a Senior in the Cambridge program, currently ranked fourth in the class with a 4.6 WGPA. She is the Drum Major of the Hollins High School marching band, as well as the VP of the concert band. She has been playing the alto saxophone for seven years. She is also in the National Honor Society and on the tennis team. She is employed at **Jollibee**, a Filipino fast-food restaurant which satisfies people's seemingly intense love for fried chicken. Her volunteer experience is through the National Honor Society, cleaning many parks and beaches in an effort to keep our community beautiful. She has also worked with **Clothes to Kids** in St. Pete to organize donations so that children in need receive ample quality clothing. She also helps out at middle school concerts by supervising the students and setting up the stage. In her free time, she likes reading books, playing tennis with friends, and going on scuba diving trips with her family. To prepare for her future, she currently "shadows" at her dentist's office. She hopes to attend the University of Florida, majoring in Microbiology on the path to becoming a Pediatric Dentist. This has been her dream since she was four years old.

**Steven Issari** is a Senior in the Culinary Arts Program who is involved with National Honor Society, AVID, Culinary Arts, Hollins High Food Pantry & Clothing Closet and Student Government. He is also enrolled in the school's Leadership Course where they learn a variety of leadership skills, in addition to manning and organizing the school's food pantry & clothing closet. These resources are vital for the students and their families who are in need of food and clothing. As the Senior Class Vice President, he plans and organizes senior class events and attends meetings as a representative of the student body. In his free time, he enjoys traveling and spending time with family and friends. He currently works at Publix. He plans to attend Florida Atlantic University and major in Nursing. Life is all about "Making A Difference"! Often when kids aren't in school, they don't have enough food to eat. So he would like to open a restaurant where kids get a hot meal for free, evenings and weekends.

## **Last Week's Program: PINELLAS PARK HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**

**Vivian Mai** is a senior in the Criminal Justice Program. Her favorite subject in school is math and the career she will be pursuing is Chemical Engineering at **USF**. In her free time, she likes to read, write, watch anime, draw, paint, and listen or play music. She is currently in the Asian Student Association Club and part of **Teen Work X** volunteer program. She also tutors on weekdays at a local recreation center for teens.

The other three students, **Jackson Ailey, Clayton Austin and Verenice Morales-Ramirez** were not able to get their bios in to us due to the Christmas Holiday.



### **Paul Harris Lottery Winner: Tom Stewart**

**Tom is on a roll after a record setting losing streak! (There may be hope for Tom Brady & the Bucs.)**

**Thanks to the other participants - Jim Andrews, Jim Fikkert, Jeff MacKellar, Dave Sideri, David Allen, Don Higgins, Tami Scheele, Harry Alchin, & Joe Kolodziej who each will receive \$100 credit toward a Paul Harris Fellow. No one is a loser!**



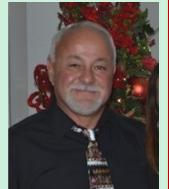
### **This Week's Program:**

President Tom Stewart will present a Club Assembly. He will review the first half of his presidential year and forecast the next six months. Kevin Krauss will also talk about the plans for this year's **Bowl-a-Thon** in March or April. Please plan to be there as we will be facing an challenging fundraising year and will need everyone's help to raise the money needed to fund Chantel Wonder's presidential year.



### **Next Week's Program:**

Program Chairperson David Sideri's speaker for next week has bailed on him, so he will present a Ted Talks Video. More info to come next week.



### **Mark Your Calendar!**

We will be volunteering again at **Meals on Wheels 4 Kids** next **Saturday, Jan 16th**. We will need 10 people to sign up. David Allen will have a sign-up sheet at our meeting today.

**Sanders School Students of the Month** Celebration will be held on Tues Jan 26th. It will be a virtual celebration with our Rotary members attending on **Zoom**. We will deliver the lunches, certificates and \$50 Gift cards to the school that morning.

**Chairperson Phil England** has set up a Rotary Road Cleanup for Saturday January 30th. We will meet at 6051 78th Ave N at 8am. He will bring a sign up sheet to next week's meeting.

**Chairpersons Dave & Wendy Sideri** are working on the Valentine Party. More info will be coming soon.

